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■ BY ANNA WHITE

A FARMER has lost an entire crop of fruit after thieves made off with hundreds of rare apple trees during a late-night raid.

The gang entered Little Sheephurst Farm in Marden sometime between 7pm on Wednesday, last week, and 10.30am the following day and stole 330 apple trees.

Owner Ken Jenner was alerted to the theft when his son, Nigel, 38, discovered the trees missing from their orchard during his daily patrol of farm.

The stolen Ruben apple trees were planted in March and were being exclusively grown by Mid Kent Growers.

Mr Jenner, who lives near the farm, said: "The trees had just started to plant and they are rare for this area. You can't just go into a shop or nursery and buy them as they are not on release to the public yet."

The new variety had been imported from Italy and Holland and Mr Jenner had planned for the apples to be eventually sold to supermarkets. The trees are about 3ft to 4ft in height and worth £4.30 each, totalling a loss of about £1,420.

He said: "It's a huge loss. It's a whole year's worth of crop and we won't be able to plant again until next year. I've never heard anything like this happening before. I have heard



RARE CROP:
Ruben apple

PARK'S PINK PANTERS

Thousands of women united to raise funds for cancer research with a charity fun run in the county town on Sunday. The ladies made the most of sunny weather as they donned pink outfits to walk, jog or run around Mote Park in the Race for Life. They were joined by KOS Media's own team - which included Erica Jones, Jo Nicoll, Lucy Williams and Anna White - who all completed the course in less than an hour.

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MP signals her support over rail campaign

■ BY ANNA WHITE

BUSINESS leaders and MPs have joined hundreds of commuters in fighting to keep fast-track services from Maidstone to central London.

Southeastern chiefs announced plans to scrap off-peak fast trains from Ashford International to London Cannon Street earlier this year, as reported by Yourmaidstone.

In response, commuter Matthew Nash, who lives in Maidstone and relies on the off-peak service, launched the Keep Our Trains petition in April.

This now has more than 700 signatures which have been gained through a website and campaigning – including talking to shoppers and handing out flyers in Fremlin Walk.

Supporters of the campaign include Maidstone town centre manager Bill Moss; the Towergate Partnership; Bearsted parish council, Maidstone council's railway champion, Liberal Democrat Cllr Malcolm Robertson; and Sir John Stanley, Conservative MP for Tonbridge and Malling.

Mr Nash has also gained support from Maidstone and Weald MP Ann Widdecombe and her potential successor, Helen Grant.

Mr Nash and his campaign partner, Huw Whitethread, from West Malling, have devised a strategy with Ms Widdecombe in a bid to block the plans.

He told Yourmaidstone: "We've met and agreed a strategy with Miss Widdecombe. She has been very supportive, honest and constructive."

"As a result of that meeting we've been trying to persuade people not only to sign our petition but also to write to their MP."

"This will give the MPs of the affected areas – Miss Widdecombe, Sir John



ON TRACK: Ann Widdecombe MP with Huw Whitethread (left) and Matthew Nash

and Hugh Robertson – the backing to challenge Lord Adonis, minister in charge of the Department for Transport, over the loss of these services."

Miss Widdecombe said: "I am delighted to offer my support to the campaign."

"There is a great demand for the hourly Cannon Street service and its abolition would effectively reduce the number of services to London from Maidstone by a third."

"Maidstone is the county town of Kent and deserves a fast and regular service to London."

"At a time when Southeastern is investing so much in the rail network, I am appalled that my constituents are those who lose out."

The campaign team has also met with Southeastern to discuss the issue and came away from the meeting with an indication the railway company could be persuaded to keep some of the services.

Mr Nash said: "The decision is not just Southeastern's, it is also the Department for Transport's."

"Hence, our best bet is focus on methods to persuade the Department for Transport."

To sign the online petition, log on to www.keepourtrains.com.

yourmaidstone NEWS IN BRIEF

Pie teams left with egg on their faces

A TEAM from Maidstone won the World Custard Pie Championship on Saturday.

The contest, at Coxheath Village Hall, attracted 16 teams, including from as far afield as Nottingham and Hemel Hempstead. But the visitors were left covered in custard by winner Coxheath Til I Pie.

Maidstone Independent councillor Mike Fitzgerald, who organises the annual event, said: "We had so many people come from across the country, so I couldn't believe it when the local team won. It is a free event and lots of people came along to enjoyed the fun."

TB risk contained by swift hospital action

NINETEEN patients have been offered screening after it emerged a healthcare worker at Maidstone Hospital has tuberculosis.

Hospital chiefs confirmed the worker had the disease but said he was making a good recovery.

Patients and staff who came into contact with him were offered the checks as a precaution.

Dr Sara Mumford, director of infection prevention and control, said: "Staff are being offered screening at the same time as patients. The risk to patients and staff is minimal."

Gold Beach veteran honoured by French

D-DAY veteran George Batts was honoured by the French government in Paris on Saturday for his role in helping liberating their country in 1944.

The 83-year-old from Maidstone was part of a group of nine men and a woman from Britain who all took part in the D-Day landings.

He received the Legion d'Honneur – France's highest military decoration – in a ceremony marking the 65th anniversary of D-Day.

Mr Batts was with the Royal Engineers who landed on Gold Beach during the Normandy invasion.

• More D-Day anniversary coverage on page 9



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Hidden depths to winner Rebecca's dark corners

EXCLUSIVE

■ BY ANNA WHITE

A FASCINATION with the unknown inspires a photography student to climb hundreds of feet through dark underground spaces to capture unique shots.

Yourmaidstone last week revealed that Rebecca Crosbie had been named the winner of StARTle 2009 – an art competition celebrating the first anniversary of the Hazlitt Arts Centre.

As the winner of the competition, launched by Maidstone council and supported by Yourmaidstone, Miss Crosbie won a free four-week exhibition in the Graham Clarke gallery, within the centre in Earl Street.

Miss Crosbie was picked from 34 entries after her images of disused buildings and derelict sites impressed the judges.

She first realised her love of photography as a pupil at Maidstone Girls' Grammar School and continued with the subject at the University for the Creative Arts, Maidstone, where she is studying a MA in photography.

She stumbled across her passion for capturing shots of caves, mines and nuclear bunkers while working in town centre bar Drakes and a fellow photographer, Jon Barker, told her about a Kent-based underground photography group.

Miss Crosbie said: "It's a group of people who travel everywhere to visit disused mines and old hospitals and I started going along with them."

"A lot of them do it for their love of history and finding out the unknown. I love doing it because



IN THE FRAME: StARTle 2009 winner Rebecca Crosbie, top, with two of the photographs in her Hazlitt exhibition

of those reasons but mainly because I love photography and I am more interested in taking pictures of the places."

The 22-year-old says she doesn't mind delving into the darkness with her camera, spotlight and hardhat, but admits to the odd occasion when nerves have almost got the better of her.

She said: "Jon is usually with me, partly for health and safety reasons. We are usually given specifications of the site, but there was one time in Wales when the details were wrong."

"It said this mine was 20 feet deep, but it was more like 200ft. It's a bit unnerving to not

know your surroundings."

Miss Crosbie, who lives near the Oakwood Park campus, has not exhibited outside of UCA before.

She said: "I was shocked when I found out I had won the competition. It's been such a mad time as I have just finished my final work for my third year and now I am exhibiting here. It's really exciting and I'm really pleased."

A selection of her work taken from her collections, Poetic Spaces, and Subterraneus, is now on display at the gallery until June 31. Opening times are 10am to 6pm.

Rare crop lost in farm raid

FROM FRONT PAGE

of tree stealing in the winter, when they are in bundles, but not a crop."

Police are investigating but Mr Jenner is doubtful if the trees will survive.

He said: "I'm not sure they would, unless the thieves are very clever and get the water right, but even if I get them back I don't know if I would be able to save them."

Mr Jenner has already been approached by another farmer who thinks he may have seen the culprits.

Mr Jenner said: "The farmer said he saw a group of people, with two yellow vans and one white van, hanging round on Wednesday afternoon."

"We have had visits from EDF lately, putting up new phone masts, so he thought they were from that company, but it looks like they may be the culprits."

The thieves would have needed a vehicle to transport the trees. Mr Jenner believes they would have needed a type of truck or large Transit-type van.

Police are asking anyone who may have been offered apple trees, or who has any information about the raid, to contact the mid-Kent crime unit on 01795 419184 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111.

Cannabis found at crash pilot's home

THE pilot of a light plane which crashed carrying a prisoner on day release was a convicted drug smuggler.

When police checked Sidney Clark's home in Tonbridge Road, Maidstone, after the plane piled into an orchard near Lyminge, they found 400 cannabis plants.

While Clark was awaiting trial at Maidstone Crown Court he skipped bail and when police tracked him down to a house in Shepton Mallet, Somerset, they found he was growing more plants.

During a hearing at Maidstone Crown Court on Friday, Clark, 59, described himself to detectives as a professional cannabis grower who earned £25,000 a year from it.

He rented the cottage in Shepton Mallet under a false name and diverted electricity to grow the plants.

Clark told detectives he expected to grow 60 ounces a crop, retailing at £100 an ounce.

He said he sold the cannabis to ten to 12 friends and had earned £15,000 in the last six years.

Clark has been jailed in Iran, Japan, and Bangkok, Thailand, for drug smuggling and freely admitted



GROWING DOPE: Clark after the crash

to smoking dope for the last 44 years. He said he got his income from growing cannabis and had never claimed benefits in his life.

Clark has admitted to cultivating drugs at his home in Maidstone and in Shepton Mallet, as well as abstracting electricity to propagate the plants.

The case was adjourned until June 29. Clark was remanded in custody.

It's party time at the Village Hotel this weekend

FAMILIES have been invited to join in celebrations marking a Maidstone hotel's fifth birthday.

The Village Hotel anniversary events start on Friday with a comedy night, continuing on Saturday with a bungee-run, tombola, stalls, sports challenges and demonstrations in the gym.

There will also be live entertainment from dance acts, including Britain's Got Talent semi-finalists Hot Honeyz and the Mandy Ellen Girl Band, both from the Mandy Ellen School of Dance.

There will also be afternoon tea to raise funds for Cancer Research and a raffle with the proceeds going to Help For Heroes.

The Village Hotel is supporting ex-soldier Lee Horton in his challenge to climb Kilimanjaro in October and raise money for the charity.

Presentation

The hotel hosted a gala dinner for Mr Horton's climb last month and raised £8,185.18. This will be presented to him on Saturday.

A cheque will also be presented to Maidstone Rugby Club, which the hotel is sponsoring this year.

In the afternoon there will be a barbecue and beer tent, as well as more entertainment.

Rounding off the celebrations will be music from tribute act Justin Timberlike, dinner and a disco.

General manager Veronica Kingham said: "It's the perfect way to celebrate the landmark and to celebrate what the hotel has achieved. There's going to be something for everyone."

Tickets for the Friday night comedy show are £10, and tickets for the Justin Timberlike tribute dinner are £26.95 per person, or £23.95 for club members.

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Jobless man tries to sell himself into work on eBay

AN UNEMPLOYED man has resorted to alternative ways to get a job by trying to sell himself in an online classified section.

Andy Palmer, 30, from Maidstone, is a qualified mortgage advisor but was left without a job when his former employer Northern Rock collapsed in August last year.

He has posted his CV on popular online auction site eBay with the hope that employers will bid to buy or rent his services for a month.

Something smells bunny as rabbit trap is stolen

A TRAP used to catch plant-eating rabbits at a Maidstone industrial park has been stolen.

The rabbit trap was dug up and removed from the ground near a mobile telephone mast in Eclipse Industrial Park, in Sittingbourne Road, between 9pm on May 26 and 7.45pm the following day.

It would have taken about half an hour to unearth and a vehicle may have been used to transport it from the industrial park.

New bins mean there is no excuse not to recycle

FAMILIES in Maidstone are no able to recycle from their own doorsteps thanks to a council-run scheme.

Maidstone council has completed the final stage of a scheme to provide 64,000 properties in the county town with a recycling bin.

The council has delivered the bins and information packs to the final 35,000 properties in the borough.

• For further information visit www.digitalmaidstone.co.uk or call 01622 602162.

TV chef in visit to help you brush up your 'barby' skills

A GARDEN centre is teaming up with Britain's Best BBQ chef to give your sausages some extra sizzle during the summer.

TV Chef Ben Bartlett, who has appeared on Ready, Steady Cook and This Morning, has joined forces with Notcutts Garden Centre in to help people master their barbecues.

He will be at the Maidstone-based garden centre, just off the M20 at junction 7, on Sunday to give a live demonstration and host a question-and-answer session.

Thousands unite in pink for fun run to raise funds for Cancer Research UK

■ BY ANNA WHITE

THOUSANDS of women dressed in their finest pink outfits on Sunday to take part in the second Race for Life at Mote Park.

More than 4,000 mothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters and daughters were cheered on by thousands of supporters as they ran, jogged and walked the second Maidstone Race for Life at the town centre park.

Both of the Maidstone events were fully booked and saw more than 8,000 women complete the 5k course and help raise £287,000 for Cancer Research UK.

Natasha Etienne, area event manager, said: "I was so pleased to see the sun shining on the ladies for the event, we all had a great day. I love Maidstone and hope to see everyone again next year."

Unlike the first Maidstone event in May, which was greeted with torrential rain, the women at the latest event enjoyed the summertime weather.

Atmosphere

Among the thousands of participants on Sunday were KOS Media's own team, which included Erica Jones, Jo Nicoll, Lucy Williams and Anna White – who all completed the course in less than an hour.

Mrs Nicoll, personal assistant to KOS Media's managing director, said: "This was my first time doing the Race for Life and I absolutely loved it, although I didn't actually realise I was quite so competitive.

"The atmosphere was great and the number of women taking part was quite overwhelming.

"Everyone who took part should be extremely proud of themselves for doing something so worthwhile, especially the KOS girls who put in a fine performance."

• Together the KOS Media team has raised more than £330 but people can still donate to the team and help them hit their £500 target by visiting www.raceforlife.sponsorme.org/kosmedia.



Pictures: Igor Kupco



IN THE PINK: Mums, daughters and grandmothers united en-masse to take part in the Maidstone Race for Life at Mote Park in aid of Cancer Research UK



STERLING EFFORT: KOS Media's team (l-r) Jo Nicholl, Lucy Williams, Anna White and Erica Jones raised more than £330 with their Maidstone Race For Life effort



A selection of comments from last years show

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"Perfect platform for finding new suppliers and networking" - Croner

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Tories tighten their grip on county town

THE Tories increased the number of Maidstone and Malling seats they hold at County Hall in the council council elections.

They retained their seats in the Maidstone area and gained an extra seat in Malling. They held on to four of their previous Maidstone districts, lost a Maidstone Central seat, but gained Maidstone South East.

This leaves them with five of the eight Maidstone seats at County Hall, with the Liberal Democrats taking the other three – a gain of one.

Maidstone Central, which had the most candidates, was previously shared between Lib Dem councillor Dan Daley and Tory councillor Jeffrey Curwood.

Cllr Daley kept his seat with 4,465 votes but Cllr Curwood lost out to Lib Dem councillor Malcolm Robertson, with 3,479.

Cllr Daley said: "This is a great achievement. Having a more equal split is better for democracy and I think the Conservatives understand that and even welcome it."

The Lib Dems also held on to Ian Chittenden's seat in Maidstone North East.

Cllr Chittenden told YourMaidstone: "I am delighted; it was once thought it was going to be fairly close, but I have doubled the Tories' vote."

Lib Dem parliamentary candidate for Maidstone and Weald Peter Carroll was at Detling Showground, where the count was carried out, to congratulate the Lib Dems.

He said: "I came here today to see the Liberal Democrats take the two Maidstone

■ BY ANNA WHITE

Central seats and it is tremendous victory."

Lib Dem group leader Trudy Dean also retained her Malling Central seat, but David Lettington failed to keep the Malling Rural North seat, which had been held by retiring Lib Dem councillor Geoff Rowe. This seat went to Conservative candidate Peter Homewood. The Tories held the other three Malling seats.

The Tories sealed their overall victory with an expected win for KCC leader Paul Carter, who held on to the Maidstone Rural North seat with 3,078 votes out of the total 5,313.

He said: "It is great day for the Conservatives."

Another prominent seat for the Conservatives was Maidstone Rural East, which was previously occupied by the late Sandy Bruce-Lockhart.

First-time candidate Jenny Whittle, the youngest of all the 41 candidates at 32 years old, secured Mr Bruce-Lockhart's former seat by a landslide 3,963 votes.

She said: "I am delighted and I intend to make my voice heard at County Hall."

Tory Parliamentary candidate for Maidstone and Weald Helen Grant said: "I am very happy with Conservative victory."

"Many of the papers have said Labour is falling and this is now being shown at not just a national level but locally as well."

Candidates for Labour, Green Party, National Front, UKIP, Independent, and Labour and Co-Operative failed to gain any Maidstone seats.

The full results for Maidstone

Maidstone Central (Two seats - Liberal Democrat hold + Conservative loss)
Dan Daley (Lib Dem) - 4,465,
Malcolm Robertson (Lib Dem) - 3,479,
Jeffrey Curwood (Con) - 2,507,
Paul Butcher (Con) - 2,476,
John Stanford (UKIP) - 1,274,
Stuart Jeffrey (Green) - 908,
Wendy Lewis (Green) - 761,
Bruce Heald (Labour) - 603,
Marianna Poliszuk (Labour) - 568.
Voting turnout - 41.06 per cent of the electorate.

Maidstone North East (Liberal Democrat hold)
Ian Chittenden (Lib Dem) - 2,306,
Jeff Tree (Con) - 1,159,
Charles Elliot (UKIP) - 656,
Derek Eagle (Green) - 260.
Voting turnout - 35.56 per cent.

Maidstone North (Conservative hold)
Paul Carter (Con) - 3,078,
Gareth Kendall (UKIP) - 818,
Kenneth Stevens (Lib Dem) - 618,
Jeanne Gibson (Lab) - 397,
Ian McDonald (Green) - 352.
Voting turnout - 38 per cent.

Maidstone South (Conservative hold)
Alan Chell (Con) - 1,897,

Clive English (Lib Dem) - 1,222,
Richard Coates (Lab + Co-operative) - 341,
Stephen Muggeridge (Green) - 305,
Sheena Williams (Ind) - 282,
Gary Butler - 231.
Voting turnout - 34.86 per cent.

Maidstone South East - (Conservative gain)
Seat previously held by Independent councillor Brian Wood who did not stand for re-election.
Gary Cooke (Con) - 1,297,
John Botting (UKIP) - 577,
Gillian Annan (Labour) - 452,
Rob Field (Lib Dem) - 422,
Alex Walde (Green) - 159,
Jon Hick (Ind) - 90.
Voting turnout - 42.61 per cent.

Maidstone Rural West - (Conservative hold)
Paulina Stockell (Con) - 2,559,
Brian Mortimer (Lib Dem) - 1,467,
Keith Woolven (UKIP) - 825,
Sandra McDowell (Green) - 397,
Edith Davis (Lab + Co-operative) - 300.
Voting turnout - 41.59 per cent.

Maidstone Rural South - (Conservative hold)
Eric Hotson (Con) - 2,595,
Hugh Laing (Lib Dem) - 1,027,
Robin Klinrade (Green) - 554.
Voting turnout - 39.47 per cent.

Maidstone Rural East (Conservative hold)
Sarah Hollier (Con) - 2,253,
Paul Hickmott (Lab) - 1,008,
Elizabeth Simpson (Lib Dem) - 505,
Lisa Rogers (English Democrats) - 432.

Howard Porter (Green) - 361.
Voting turnout - 36.94 per cent

Malling West (Conservative hold)
Valerie Dagger (Con) - 3,126,
James Menzies (Lib Dem) - 682,
Richard Mountford (Green) - 475,
Laurence Williams (English Democrats) - 442,
Victoria Hayman (Lab) - 323.
Voting turnout - 42.61 per cent.

Malling Central (Liberal Democrat hold)
Trudy Dean (Lib Dem) - 2,486,
Alice Hohle (Con) - 1,122,
Peter Stevens (UKIP) - 444,
David Laverly (Lab) - 157,
Helen Long (Green) - 114,
Teresa Cannon (English Democrats) - 95.
Voting turnout - 37.48 per cent.

Malling Rural East (Conservative hold)
Richard Long (Con) - 2,671,
David Waller (UKIP) - 609,
Gillian Jones (Lib Dem) - 550,
Mary Long (Green) - 350,
Kathleen Garlick (Lab) - 258,
Alan Woodley (English Democrats) - 194.
Voting turnout - 37.96 per cent.

Malling Rural North East (Liberal Democrat loss)
Peter Homewood (Con) - 3,254,
David Lettington (Lib Dem) - 1,254,
Terry Bilsland (English Democrats) - 434,
Thomas Shelley (Lab) - 396.

Malling North (Conservative hold)
Andrea Ralph (Green) - 357.
Voting turnout - 40.65 per cent.



GREAT VICTORY: Parliamentary candidate Helen Grant and KCC leader Paul Carter applaud the results

Labour's disaster sealed in Europe

LABOUR'S failure to win any extra European seats for south-east England contributed to the party's disastrous set of election results.

The Conservatives were first in the region with 812,288 votes, UK Independence Party (UKIP) were second with 440,002, Liberal Democrats third with 330,340, the Green Party fourth with 192,592 votes and Labour fifth.

Labour's share of the vote was down 5.4 per cent and the Green Party was up 3.8 per cent.

Peter Skinner remains the region's only Labour MEP. The Conservatives retained their four seats, UKIP kept its two, Lib Dems have two and the Green Party retained its one.

Conservatives Daniel Hannan, Nirj Deva, James Elles and Richard Ashworth will all represent the South East in Europe.

UKIP leader Nigel Farage kept his seat and will be joined by party treasurer Marta Andreasen, who replaces the outgoing independent Ashley Mote, who was elected as a UKIP member but had his whip removed in 2007 after being found guilty of benefit fraud.

Caroline Lucas remains the Green Party's European representative for the South East.

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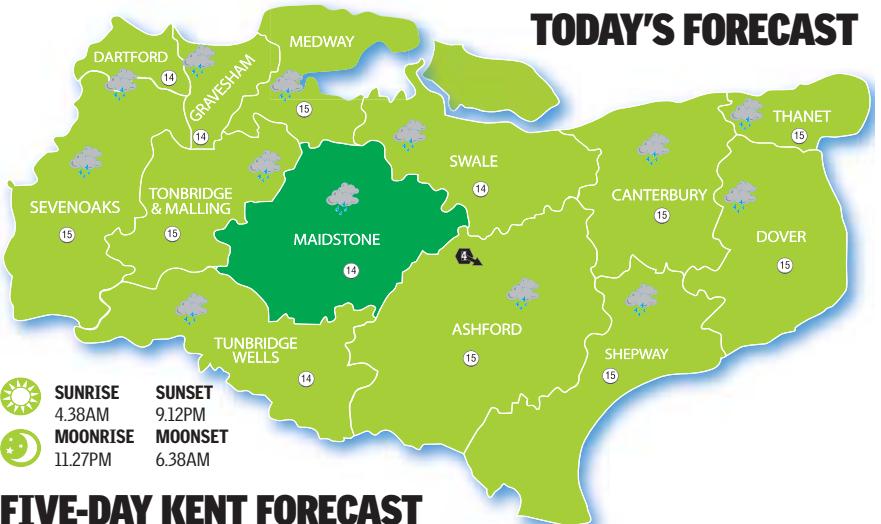
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	Sunday	5:32pm	5.3m
Dover	Saturday	3:23pm	6.0m
	Sunday	4:03pm	5.9m
Dungeness	Saturday	3:10pm	6.8m
	Sunday	3:51pm	6.7m
Ramsgate	Saturday	3:53pm	4.6m
	Sunday	4:33pm	4.5m
Sheerness	Saturday	4:42pm	5.2m
	Sunday	5:21pm	5.1m
Whitstable	Saturday	4:42pm	4.9m
	Sunday	5:19pm	4.8m



SUMMER SHOW: Peter Carroll presents the Mildred Ratcliffe prize for best exhibit to Janet McConnell

Candidate 'thrilled' to present art prizes

LIBERAL Democrat candidate Peter Carroll presented two art awards at an event in Maidstone.

The Lib Dem parliamentary candidate for Maidstone and Weald, who is also a leading Gurkha rights campaigner, was contacted by the Maidstone Arts Society to hand out the prizes for its summer show on Friday evening.

Mr Carroll presented the David Booth prize, for best entry in the life painting and portrait category, to Joan Boatwright, and the Mildred Ratcliffe Prize, for best exhibit in the show, to Janet McConnell.

Mr Carroll said: "I was really thrilled to be asked to present the prize and somewhat relieved that I didn't have what I imagine had been the almost impossible job of judging the winners.

"I envy anyone who has the ability to express themselves so well in any art form."

The winning works will be on display in the exhibition space above Maidstone Library in St Faith's Street until June 27.



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QUESTION & ANSWER

LISA SKINNER



Q&A

Reporter **Anna White** spoke to mother-of-two Lisa Skinner, who runs Pegalicious Maternity Wear in the town centre, about the shop and how she feels it is important to encourage new mothers to breastfeed

Q Tell us about yourself.

A I am co-owner with my business partner Loretta Walpole of Pegalicious Maternity Wear in the Royal Star Arcade, Maidstone. I live in Maidstone with my husband and two small children.

Q Tell us about the Pegalicious Store.

A Pegalicious is designed for the expectant mum, and stocks a great range of fashionable affordable styles to celebrate the changing shape of pregnancy. The shop has a spacious feel, with a small area to keep children amused while customers shop, and a comfortable sofa where mums can nurse babies. The shop offers casual wear, work wear swimwear, nursing wear, occasional wear and attractive and comfortable underwear. All have been handpicked from professional maternity designers all over the world. Recently we have introduced many new baby products, which are great for the increasingly-popular baby showers. Pregnancy is an amazing time and we want our customers to feel delicious yet comfortable and stylish.

Q What was the inspiration behind opening such a store?

A During my first pregnancy I found it hard to find local shops which sold fashionable, stylish affordable maternity wear which would last throughout my pregnancy. The few

shops that I did find only seemed to sell basic everyday wear – nothing for a special occasion or wedding. Although there were an abundance of online maternity shops, nothing I ordered would fit properly or looked like it had looked online. During a conversation with my friend Loretta I discovered that she had had the same problem when she was pregnant, so we teamed up and opened Pegalicious in December 2005.

Q Why do you think Maidstone needs a store like Pegalicious?

A We stock the largest range of maternity and nursing wear in north Kent. Having both been pregnant we can understand the growing stages of pregnancy and can advise ladies on the buying of maternity and nursing wear and underwear. We also stock a great range of bras and underwear and offer a free measuring and fitting service for both maternity and nursing bras. During the past three years we have listened to our customer's requests and suggestions and have grown our business by listening to them.

Q Tell us about the inspiration behind the in-store breast-feeding couch?

A My son was three weeks old when we opened our shop on the upper floor of the Royal Star Arcade and being a breastfeeding mum I realised how hard it was to go shopping in Maidstone with a newborn and to find places where I could sit and nurse him in com-

fort. With a young baby needing two- to three-hourly feeds, a shopping trip could become quite a chore and quite expensive with frequent stops in coffee shops, so once the shop was open I would pop into Pegalicious to feed him there if I was out shopping. Loretta and I decided that we should open the couch to any nursing mum who was out shopping and needed to feed her baby.

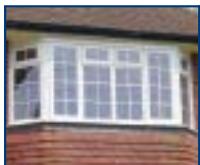
Q Has it proved popular with Maidstone mums?

A Oh yes – not just with Maidstone mums but with any mums shopping in Maidstone. It is lovely to see customers who came in for maternity wear pop in with their new babies – we get to see bump then baby. We have some regulars who have been using our couch to nurse their babies from newborn to toddler, so we get to see the babies grow too.

Q Why do you feel so strongly on the topic?

A Prior to having children, breastfeeding was not really a subject I had taken any interest in. However, having had my son and later my daughter and the natural bond I felt breastfeeding (although I struggled for the first few weeks as any new mum does), I found once the feeding was established it was a wonderful experience. Breastfeeding is great for both mum's and baby's well-being, there was no having to sterilise bottles or warm the milk, and it is free.

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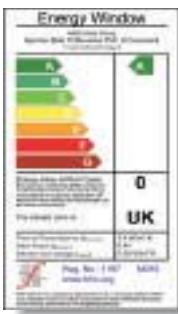
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'We owe you our freedom'

FOR probably the last time they assembled on the beaches.

The heroes of Normandy, 1944, who stormed the German positions and liberated France from the yoke of Nazi oppression.

At the weekend the dignitaries all assembled – US President Barack Obama, Prince Charles representing the Royal Family and Prime Minister Gordon Brown.

But the day truly belonged to those veterans who took part in the momentous events of 65 years ago – and for all too many of them they realised it was the last time they would all be back together.

Bearing the British standards on the beach at Arromanches were members of the Ramsgate Branch of the Royal Naval Association and the Deal Branch of the Royal Marines Association.

"It was lucky we brought our standards," said Ramsgate chairman Ron Williams. "Otherwise we British would have been a bit under-represented."

The group had met early on Saturday morning at various spots in Kent before making the arduous journey to Normandy by coach.

All service veterans, they had come to pay their respects to the fallen at a parade alongside the beach which was taken by British troops on the day itself.

Tom Thaxter of the Royal Scots Fusiliers remembers the events of 65 years ago.

"I left 173 of my friends buried here," he said. "It's an emotional occasion – probably the last one of its kind with so many of us passing away each year. I was wounded in the left leg, just after we landed, the right leg outside Berlin, and the eye in Palestine. But so many of my friends didn't make it at all."

Charles Giles, from Margate, is president of the local naval association.

He said: "It's true there are fewer and fewer of us. I was on a destroyer working on charts off the beaches and I saw them go in. I have admired their bravery ever since."

A few miles away, US President Barack Obama spoke at Omaha Beach, where the Americans landed.

NICK AMES reports from the 65th anniversary celebrations of D-Day, held in Normandy, where war veterans were joined by world leaders to remember the day the liberation of Europe began



STANDARD BEARERS: Members of the Ramsgate Branch of the Royal Naval Association and the Deal Branch of the Royal Marines Association at Arromanches beach

He said the bravery and selflessness of a few changed the course of a whole century.

The Allies suffered 215,000 casualties on D-Day and in the Normandy campaign. Germany suffered similar losses as the Allies fought desperately up the beaches and in to the French countryside to form a bridgehead.

Speaking at the US war cemetery in Colleville-sur-Mer, Mr Obama said it was the sheer improbability of the D-Day victory that had made it so memorable.

He said: "Friends and veterans, what we cannot forget – what we must not forget – is that D-Day was a time and a place where the

bravery and selflessness of a few was able to change the course of an entire century.

"At an hour of maximum danger, amid the bleakest of circumstances, men who thought themselves ordinary found it within themselves to do the extraordinary."

Speaking before Mr Obama, French President Nicolas Sarkozy thanked the Allies for their efforts in liberating France and the rest of Western Europe.

"I want to say thank you to the survivors of this tragedy who are here today with us... we owe you our freedom," he said.

Mr Brown was booed by a small group in the



WREATH: Prince Charles paid respects at Bayeux Cathedral

waiting crowd and one person shouted: "Where's the Queen?"

But he got a laugh from some members of the audience when he referred to Omaha Beach".

The French government previously denied it had intended to snub the Royal Family after failing to invite the Queen to the commemorations, with Prince Charles travelling to France after a last-minute invitation.

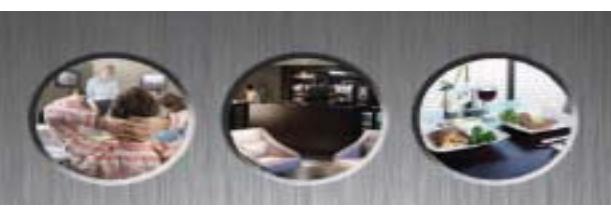
Mr Brown gave a speech in which he praised "men of courage and bravery".

UK Chief of the General Staff, Gen Sir Richard Dannatt, told the veterans: "I know that I speak on behalf of all soldiers, all over the world, when I salute the focus, determination and professionalism of all of you and your comrades who stormed into northern France from the air and from the sea in June 1944."

Earlier, Mr Brown and the prince laid wreaths inside Bayeux Cathedral during a service organised by the Royal British Legion.

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A feast for the eyes

IT IS often said good food can be a work of art. And now a contest has been launched to underline that very point.

Unveiled at the weekend by the champion of regionally produced food and drink – Produced in Kent – school children in primary schools across the county are being asked to take part in a major art competition. And the aim? To create a Summer Fruit & Veg Masterpiece. The competition is open to all primary school children from reception classes through to Year 6 and entrants are challenged to create their Summer Fruit & Veg Masterpiece out of real seasonal, regional fruit and vegetables and photograph it. Alternatively they can make a fruit and veg collage using recycled materials and household waste, or children can simply paint or draw their masterpiece. The picture can depict any subject from a smiley face, through to a landscape, or still life.

The crucial ingredient in all the artworks being produced is that they all focus on the delicious range of fresh locally produced food and drink in our county. It coincides with our 2009 KOS Media campaign urging our readers to buy locally produced or supplied food and drink wherever possible.

Supported by Produced in Kent – and spearheaded by our one-stop shop for all your local food and drink shopping needs, www.foodforkent.co.uk – the campaign is designed to cut down on unnecessary food miles, support our local rural communities and protect traditional industries. All in addition to the unbeatable taste and health benefits of local, fresh food. Now it is hoped this competition will help hammer home the message to youngsters about the benefits of eating seasonal, local produce.

Julie Monkman, manager of Produced in Kent explains: "This competition is a really fun and creative way to engage children in Kent with regionally and seasonally grown fruit and vegetables. The message about healthy eating and eating your 'five-a-day' has really started to filter through to families and increasingly both parents and children want to reduce their carbon footprint. By buying and using locally grown fruit and veg that is in season, families will not only be consuming

Youngsters are invited to draw upon their knowledge of seasonal Kent foods to create a Summer Fruit & Veg Masterpiece

healthier, fresher and more nutritious food, they will be helping to keep our county and the planet greener."

The countywide contest will see 10 lucky children, who submit the best piece of art, awarded a fabulous range of prizes worth hundreds of pounds, while the overall winner will be presented with a stunning photographic foodscape picture by TV's celebrity food photographer Carl Warner. Children can find out what fruit and vegetables are in season in Kent this summer on the seasonality chart on the Produced in Kent website (simply go to www.producedinkent.co.uk and follow the Useful Information and Seasonality links).

To enter the competition children can either submit electronic photographs of their work by email or send in their paper drawings/paintings to Produced in Kent's headquarters by Friday, September 18. Address details can be found on the website.

Children should clearly indicate their full name, school year group, the name of their school, age, a contact telephone number and email address. The age of the child will be taken into account during the judging by Produced in Kent's manager Julie Monkman and Carl Warner, but the entry should be entirely the work of the child.

The overall winner and runners up will be invited to the Food & Drink Festival in Canterbury on Saturday, September 26, where Mr Warner will present the prizes on the Produced in Kent exhibition stand. In addition to the foodscape picture, worth hundreds of pounds and a winner's certificate, the winner will be awarded a £50 voucher by Great Art (the UK's leading art suppliers) and a Great Art 12-panel colour box will be presented to the nine runners up with certificates.

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BREAK TIME



Garden tribute to former head boys

FORMER head pupils returned to a Maidstone school at the weekend to officially open a garden in their honour.

The heads of school garden and pergola was created by the Sutton Valence School gardens department, featuring a cottage garden and walkway lined with ornamental benches.

More than 50 former heads of school chose a plant to be included in the garden.

Among the 150 species of flowers and shrubs will be commemorative plaques.

One of the former leaders who attended the launch on Saturday was Commander Peter Lawman, 94, who was head boy in 1933.

Headmaster Joe Davies, who welcomed the 18 former head pupils and their families to the ceremony, said: "This is the biggest project we have ever undertaken."

"We wanted to create an area that acknowledged our most senior past pupils but would also give current pupils and staff pleasure."

The garden has taken over a year to plant, and with flowering shrubs, fragrant climbers and herbaceous plants we will have colour all year round.

It's well done, but we could have been toast

■ BY ANNA WHITE

A SCHOOL is celebrating a glowing Ofsted report – despite fearing the worst when the inspectors had to be evacuated following a case of burnt toast.

The Malling School has been rated "good" with many "outstanding" features following a visit by the country's education watchdog at the end of April.

The two-day inspection ran like clockwork, but it could have gone terribly wrong when the fire alarm sounded on the first morning.

The whole school at the East Malling site had to be evacuated and it was later revealed it was because somebody burned some toast.

But the alarm gave the students the opportunity to show their excellent behaviour and impress the inspectors with their calm and orderly response – so much so that it was commented on in the report.

The report praised the school's strong and varied curriculum, and in particular the care, guidance and support offered.

It described the school as having "a clear vision for the future – an expectation of success".

The school's specialist language, dyslexia and autism unit, the Tydeman centre, also received the highest possible praise from the government assessors.

Principal Carl Roberts has credited both the



USE YOUR LOAF: Malling School pupils see the funny side after a fire alert during the Ofsted inspectors' visit

staff for their innovative approach to teaching and care for the individual, and the students for their work ethic and their pride in the school.

He said: "I am very proud of the staff and students at our school and am pleased that their hard work has been formally recognised.

"Our aim is to be an outstanding school and the local school of choice.

"This report demonstrates we have to capac-

ity to achieve that goal in the very near future. The report confirms the opinion of every parent and child who has visited the school this year prior to applying for a place for September.

"They have all been impressed not only by the state-of-the-art buildings and learning environment, but also by the excellent behaviour and strong learning ethos of the students."

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But there is hope – and it comes from Down Under. The city of Adelaide in South Australia has launched a campaign to lure families to its Mediterranean climate, beaches and recession-free economy.

As well as job opportunities, the city is offering 300 days of sunshine a year, affordable house prices, and a better quality of life than offered here. And to top it off South Australia is on the brink of becoming the world's fastest growing economy. It sounds too good to be true.

Apparently the opportunities for those wishing to work or invest in Adelaide are second to none. And there are other attractions.

As well as long beachfronts, it boasts average summer temperatures of 28C, excellent wine and good schools. Not to mention ice cold beer of superb quality – no self-respecting

Aussie will tolerate rubbish like Fosters.

Victoria Bitter is great, as is Tooheys – and don't forget West End beer and Coopers. Perfect for a summer's evening.

Just remember to ask for an "Imperial Pint" – an Aussie one is just three quarters of one of ours but some pubs serve the full measure.

The food is okay too if you steer clear of vegimite.

For those hot evenings a Bundy and Coke can't be beaten – if you don't know that's rum and coke in a can, ready mixed.

And the day-to-day routine of work is so much more laid back with none of that tedious rat race and backstabbing you find over here.

A document by the South Australian Government to sum up the attractions of Adelaide in order to encourage businesses to invest in a growing economy rather than a declining one makes enticing reading.

Especially if you are stuck in negative equity in a flat somewhere uninspiring where the best night out is a Wetherspoons. I don't know about you but I'd rather cruise the Great

Ocean Road or take a boat to a tropical island.

Or rather than watch reality TV get a ride into the Outback and get to grips with nature.

Adelaide came in the top ten of The Economist's World's Most Livable Cities index last year – so that reinforces the point.

And finding a job seems easy with loads of random positions on offer.

The health sector needs as many staff as ever and other areas with vacancies include hair and beauty, fitness, gardening, farming and fishing. Jobs currently advertised at the moment range from accountancy to mining and engineering. South Australia still has skills shortages for accountants, chefs, wages specialists, factory workers and cheesemakers.

Australia already attracts many Britons, with 23,236 moving there in 2007-08, including 2,451 who went to Adelaide.

That's it – I'm off too ...

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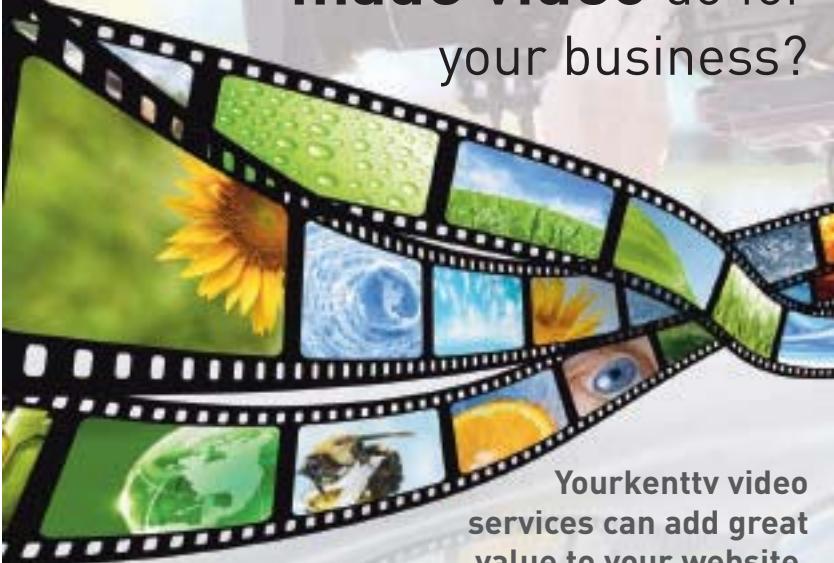
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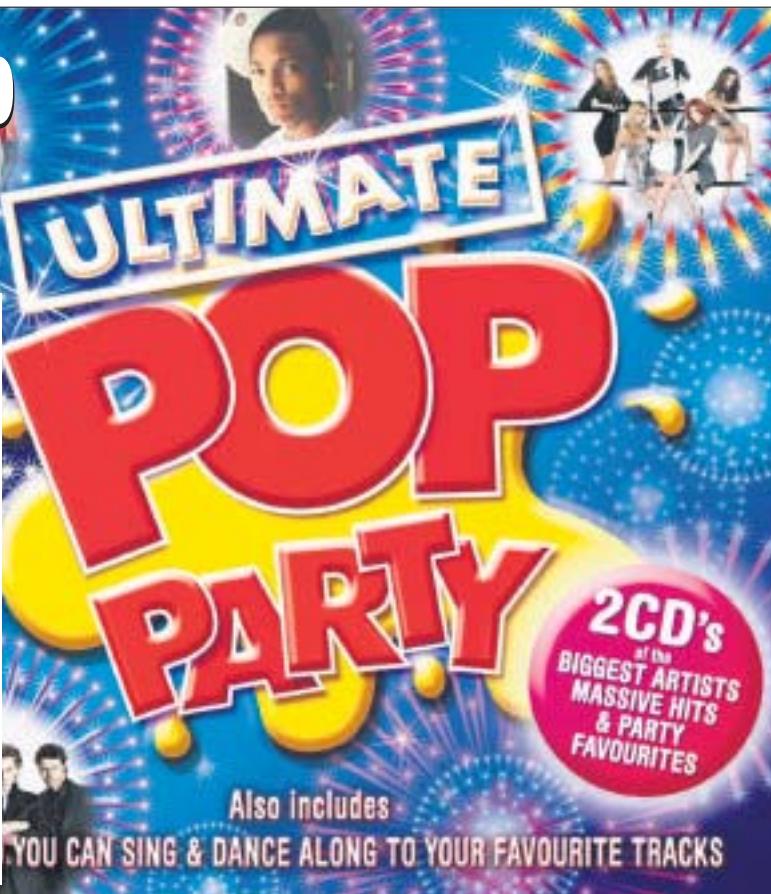
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JON KEMP

The manager of a garden centre talks about the recent surge in people growing their own fruit and vegetables and the upcoming visit from Britain's Best BBQ chef



Tell us about yourself

I'm 36, live in Tunbridge Wells with my girlfriend, and I'm the manager of Notcuts Garden Centre in Maidstone.

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YOUR LETTERS



Protect rights, stub out law breakers

I refer to the front page article in last week's Yourmaidstone about an individual breaking the law banning smoking in public places.

This is one person's view of a brilliant law that has made going out to pubs and restaurants a pleasure again.

When will these selfish addicts understand that the majority of people do not wish to inhale their spent poison, and that this law was passed to protect our human rights!

I would urge the authorities to do the right thing and prosecute anyone breaking the law.

Ian Blake, from Maidstone, by email

We're paying for the propaganda

It appears that the council is not interested in prosecuting individuals as they only get a paltry fine.

They will probably target innocent organisations like shopping



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centres so the courts can extract as much money by the way of a fine as possible.

You have probably noticed millions upon millions of pounds wasted on smoking propaganda they have to get it back somehow.

Why not complain to your MP about this total waste of millions of pounds for little results.

Peter Willis, from London, comment posted on web story at www.yourmaidstone.co.uk

Man sparked up important issue

Well done that man!

The lying cheating politicians who decided that 12 million people are breaking the law for smoking inside places are now jumping ship.

They lied to the public about so-called Educational Testing Service and are still lying while feathering their nests. They got paid big money from the drug companies to force an illegal ban on the law-abiding people of this country.

This man is not breaking a law that has a right to be in existence, being made by liars and thieves.

Shaun, from Reculver, comment posted on web story at www.yourmaidstone.co.uk

Stop treating us like children

It is definitely time that more people openly opposed this unnecessary and divisive law.

We have had enough of these stupid laws which treat adults as children and are created by the corrupt to keep control of the people.

It is only the fanatics which keep this stupidity going and we have had enough of them too.

John, from London, comment posted on web story at www.yourmaidstone.co.uk

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Amend the smoking ban to allow for the landlords to decide whether to allow smoking or not.

Even a separate smoking room (snug) would cater for civil liberties better!

It's time that the nanny-state Government and the other two big political parties took a long hard look at what they are doing to Britain. What are they going to dictate to us about next?

Trinity, from Middlesex, comment posted on web story at www.yourmaidstone.co.uk



Putting up a united front at the polling booth

I know politicians are not the most popular group of people at the moment but after a bit of thought I did vote in the Kent County Council elections on Thursday.

I feel that it is important to show that people are still interested in the democratic process even though the people involved in it as elected representatives are not all they should be – or at least many of them aren't.

Also I felt it was important not to allow the odious National Front any chance of a share of the vote.

Ian Todd, from Tovil, by email

Waxing lyrical about idiots on Big Brother

In your blog last week about Big Brother's most annoying character there was one person who was clearly missing.

The worst housemate ever who once received more than 90 per cent of the eviction vote despite being up against two others has to be "Seerer the Geezer".

I remember him going on about being a city trader and amateur boxer who was irresistible to women because he waxed his chest. What a prize idiot.

Dave Lester, by email

I'm bowled over by unfair ticket prices at the cricket

Does anyone else agree with me that the pricing and ticket arrangements for Kent's 20-20 cricket matches are unfair?

Not to let people who fork out for membership into the games with their pass is unfair.

I know the team wants to attract a new crowd for this short form of the game but to expect people who have paid out quite a large sum to have to pay again on the day strikes me as unfair.

Membership should entitle a person to a ticket for all home games – especially those that are most popular.

On the positive side though, the idea of offering a free ticket for a county championship game when you show your 20-20 ticket at the game – as was offered on Sunday May 31 in the Sussex home clash – is an excellent one.

Ian Paynter, from Bearsted, by email



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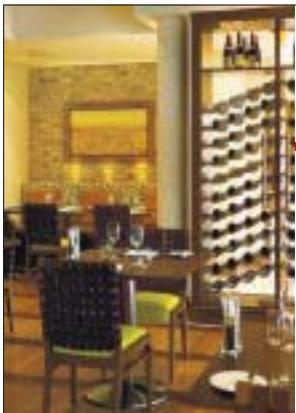
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Professor of guitar Richard Smith is performing in Kent and will be passing on his skills in special masterclasses

FANS of guitar music can take a lesson from an expert when Richard Smith visits Kent this month.

As a professor of guitar at the University of Southern California, Smith is the perfect role-model for aspiring musicians and is used to passing on his expertise.

Now people in Kent can not only enjoy his performances in two concerts but also take advantage of a free guitar masterclass by this consummate musician.

The award-winning recording artist and performer is the jazz guitarist with Los Angeles-based LA Chilharmonic, which will perform in Margate and Folkestone. Described as smooth contemporary jazz with

pop accessibility and a funky R&B edge, their music should appeal to jazz fans and those who are looking for something a little different.

As a professor at USC's Thornton School of Music, Smith heads the Guitar Masters programme in the Studio/Jazz Guitar Department and gives free lessons and mentoring to atrisk children in the Los Angeles area.

He visits Kent at the request of local promoter and music business lecturer Julia Jones, who is fostering links between the American college and Canterbury Christ Church University's music departments.

Thornton School of Music is ranked alongside the prestigious Juilliard School in New York as one of the top conservatoires in the world.

A world-class player with a num-

ber of accolades to his name, Smith cites a variety of influences, from jazz guitar legends Wes Montgomery, George Benson and Pat Martino to his mentor Joe Diorio and contemporary jazz pioneers Lee Ritenour, Larry Carlton and Robben Ford.

He has taught masterclasses throughout Europe and the US, as well as performing at prestigious venues such as the Town Hall in New York, the World Trade Centre and the Orchestra Hall, Chicago.

The guitar masterclass will be held at the Canterbury Christ Church University campus in Broadstairs on Saturday.

Admission is by guest list only, so to join email Julia@musichub.org.uk.

LA Chilharmonic will be performing at Cafe G in Margate at 8pm on Sunday. Tickets cost £15, including first drink and snacks.

For more information, you can phone the café on 01843 225600.

They can also be seen at Quarterhouse in Folkestone on Thursday, June 18, starting at 7.30pm. Support will be provided by acclaimed Kent singer-songwriter Raphael Mead. You can hear some of Mead's tracks and find out more about him online at www.myspace.com/raphaelmead.

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Sunday, June 14
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Vienna Festival Ballet presents the production, which follows the fortunes of a betrothed couple whose happiness is threatened when the groom comes across a life-size dancing doll, created by a local inventor.

To show him the error of his ways, his fiancée dresses as the doll and pretends to come to life in a tale full of humour, triumph and love. This sentimental comic ballet offers a heart-warming story and stunning performances by the dancers as they bring this magical story to life.

Now in its 29th year, Vienna Festival Ballet was founded by celebrated Austrian dancer Peter Mallek and has performed all over the world. The company's aim is to bring classical ballet to wide audiences at affordable prices and it makes many visits to Kent.

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**EMILY DICKINSON AND I**

Thursday, June 11
Trinity Theatre, Tunbridge Wells



AN ACTRESS attempts to portray her idol in the gripping play, Emily Dickinson And I.

This one-woman show about 'writing, acting and getting into Emily Dickinson's dress' is an intriguing look at the difficulties of bringing a dead person's spirit to the stage. Actress and real-life admirer Edie Campbell longs to produce a piece of work that will encapsulate the essence of Dickinson.

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With a nerve-wracking audition to prepare for, Miss Lilly helps Angelina to get ready for her big chance. She must perform well in front of the judges if she wants to win a place at the Academy, but it also presents a chance for the little dancer to learn. She meets a host of friends who introduce her to twists on traditional ballet, from jazz to hip-hop.

Excited as she is, Angelina worries about leaving Alice and her home behind. Will she be successful and start an exciting new chapter in her life, or be left waiting in the wings?

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Amanda fiddles with Rod at the Zebra Bar

SONGWRITER and performer Rod Picott visits Maidstone in the company of fiddler and singer Amanda Shires.

Picott and Shires will be performing for Maverick at the Zebra Bar in King Street on Monday evening, as will Marybeth D'Amico and Tim Whelan.

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Revisiting her freedom

■ BY SUSAN GRIFFIN

EMMA Thompson has a 'couldn't care less' attitude that makes her irresistible – and her next move will see her bowing out of the lime-light for a year.

With her latest film, Last Chance Harvey released on Friday, Thompson is now finishing filming the second Nanny McPhee movie, which she has written and stars in. Then the two-time Oscar winner intends to reward herself with a break, having turned 50 in April.

"It is a big milestone," the actress says. "It is one of the biggest because when you reach it you can say 'I'm going to be a naturalist now'. You can say whatever you want."

"Funnily enough, my great friend, the actor Derek Jacobi, recently turned 70 and I said, 'what was that like compared to 50 or 60'?"

"He said, 'it's very different. At 50 you can do what you want, at 60 you have to do what you're doing – at 70, you have no choices left'. So with a view to making the right choices, I'm taking a year off. It's my birthday present to myself."

While other more insecure stars would be fearful of people forgetting their name, Thompson is ready to embrace a period of calm: "As an actor and writer, sometimes I think you have to stop creating and let your brain relax. I think it hones the appetite."

Despite her advancing years, Thompson still retains a youthful spirit that drives her on.

Last year she was caught by paparazzi dancing around a lamp-post, her designer dress hitched up as she flashed her legs and pulled faces for the cameras on the way home from the after-party for the Brideshead Revisited premiere in London. Despite the adulation and awards, her unpretentious manner is clear to see – it's why the 'everywoman' roles she plays resonate with audiences.

Thompson delivers yet another striking performance in Last Chance Harvey, where she plays Kate, a woman who appears to go about her life without expectation or ambition. Then one day she meets a fellow lost soul in the shape of Harvey, played by Dustin Hoffman.



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"It was a coming of age movie for both of us. I don't think we could have done it earlier in our careers. I love that about the movie."

Last Chance Harvey is a low-key romance,

READY TO RELAX: Emma Thompson is taking a year off written and directed by relative newcomer Joel Hopkins. Without Thompson's support, it's unlikely the studio, Overture Films, would ever have given the project the go-ahead.

"Yes, that is true," she says, laughing. "Well, kind of... It was serendipity because I had just worked with Dustin on Stranger Than Fiction and he wanted to do it. That connection we had was what made the movie happen."

But before she has a chance to shy away from the spotlight to enjoy her birthday gift to herself, she has to finish making the Nanny McPhee sequel, which she chose ahead of continuing her role in the Harry Potter series.

"I've been writing it for three years and I'm really excited about it," she says. "It is set 100 years after the last film and the only thing the same is (her character) Nanny McPhee."

Only then, when the cameras have stopped rolling can Thompson sit back and enjoy the fruits of her success.

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ELECTRO-loving pirates, sailors and mermaids should set sail for Maidstone for the Twisted at Sea theme night later this month.

The 'Boat Rocking Dress Up Party' will feature the very best in dub-step, hip-hop and funk across two stages.

Resident Twisted DJs will be joined by We Are Your Friends, Big Trouble, gangster house duo 2 Bit Thugs and DJ Matt Cox.

A spokesman for The Source Bar event said: "Twisted is taking a cruise and throwing its anchor into the sea just in time for the summer months and for all you returning students."

"We thought what better way to start the weekly summer parties with yet another one

■ BY SIMON ROBINSON

of our epic themes and this time we are getting seasick and partying over the deep blue nothing with some very special guests.

"There will be big prizes for the best dressed and runners up, so all you have to do is dress up as something at sea or even in the sea like castaways, beach bums, pirates or impress us with some homemade sea monster."

"As per usual, the Twisted team will be doing up the bar as much as possible to give it that summer sea vibe and this time we will be helped on the night by a lovely set of helpers who will be providing you with some ice cream, candy floss, cakes and some cool accessories."

Twisted at Sea boasts two rooms – The Boat Party and The Dockyard.

We Are Your Friends and Twisted DJs will take charge of the decks in The Boat Party while Big Trouble, 2 Bit Thugs and Matt Cox will take charge in The Dockyard.

Clubbers are advised to bring their sea-faring ware to the night as a foam machine will be set up outside.

Twisted at Sea takes place on Tuesday, June 23. The club is open from 9pm to 4am. Entry costs £3, £2 NUS.

TWISTED AT SEA
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ON THE DECKS: DJ Matt Cox will play at Twisted at Sea

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Dress to impress at Dorothy Perkins store

SHOPPERS can pick up the summer's must-haves at Dorothy Perkins.

The store in Week Street has a selection of day dresses with bold floral prints. Cream floral dresses are £40, blue rose hitch hem dresses are £38 or for those wanting a longer length, cream maxi dresses are available for £45.

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For more information visit www.bon-marche.co.uk.

Get your hot deals at Superdrug this summer

GET ready for summer when you shop at Superdrug with a number of deals to be had on sun-related products.

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YOUR TV REVIEW

■ BY MARIJKE COX

- SPRINGWATCH 2009**
BBC Two, 8pm, weeknights
- THE COACH TRIP**
Channel 4, 5pm, Monday

WHO would have guessed that Springwatch would have become quite the success it has?

Turns out there's nothing some of us like better than watching some birds twitter in and out of a nestbox in glorious technicolour and now we're on series five.

The show has returned for a new run and as ever sticks to much the same formula as before.

Mind you, it has lost the bearded birdman from Rochdale, Bill Oddie, who has left to "take a breather".

He has been replaced in the studio/shed by Chris Packham, who used to present the Really Wild Show when I was a nipper. Indeed, the fact that he now looks pretty old makes me, in turn, feel less than sprightly.

Those who tend to find hedgehogs scuttling around at the bottom of the garden a fascinating insight into the fabric of his country will love this, and will no doubt already have tuned in, because this is one popular show.

Others would be advised to steer well clear.

Just when you thought they couldn't take reality television any further the brains at Channel 4 manage to pull another one out the bag.

And to all those who thought the country had run out of fame-seeking reality dummies, you were wrong.

After the success of the first two series, travel show The Coach Trip has started up again, following seven pairs of contestants on a six-week tour around Europe.

Each episode shows the coach load of tourists' crammed together and experiencing a typical trip round the



WATCH THE BIRDIE: Natures lovers should be tuned in to the new series of BBC's Springwatch

Continent – but with a difference.

At the end of each day each pair – made up of the usual husband and wife, mother and daughter or life-long friends combo – have to vote off the people they least like.

This in itself is gripping viewing when waiting to see what fights will erupt when Geoff and Anne, for example, are told they don't gel well with the rest of the dozy lot.

In the event a couple get two yellow cards they are thrown off the bus and replaced with a new pair of eager contestants.

But what makes this show even funnier is the browbeaten, camp tour guide Brendon, who tries desperately to keep things running smoothly as he herds 14 people around Europe.

Brits abroad causing mayhem, who would've thought it, eh?

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BY RUSSELL GRANT



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YOU'RE a lot more sentimental than usual. Maybe the reason you're so emotional is that you miss a good friend. Although you can still keep in touch via phone and email, you need some face to face time. Perhaps you can pay them a visit, but expectations reasonable.

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PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20)

DON'T be afraid to draw attention to your talent. A little self promotion goes a long way. If you're trying to win someone's heart, summon your confidence. Pretend you're playing a part in a movie, if necessary. Playing the wallflower at a party will have disastrous results.

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ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20)

YOUR cash levels look likely to rise sharply. You could get a hefty sum for a valuable antique you no longer want. Alternatively, you could land a better paid job or get a rise. Be sure to put some of the money toward something very special for your home.

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CANCER (Jun 23-Jul 23)

SPENDING time with friends is a good idea. You've been so wrapped up in work recently you've all, but forgotten your social life. Swing the pendulum in the other direction and go out with your best mates. A steady job could come to an unexpected halt, leaving you the loser.

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YOU'RE getting mixed signals from someone sexy. The best way to keep their interest is to give them the cold shoulder. Sure, it's risky, but the payoff will be tremendous. An innocent remark could provoke an angry reaction. That's further proof this flirt interested in you.

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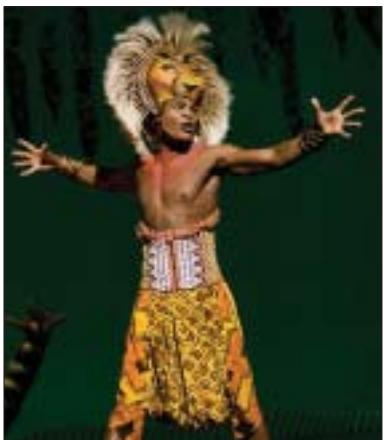


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King of Theatreland

SPENDING the weekend in London feels like a luxurious treat, especially when combining it with a trip to the West End.

When planning a short break in the capital, it is easy to find good value theatre and hotel packages on the internet.

Websites such as www.superbreak.com and www.lastminute.com can help to take the stress out of organising the trip and often offer high quality breaks at budget prices.

We decided to see one of London's most

■ BY JANE CONNOLLY

acclaimed musical productions, The Lion King, at the beautiful Lyceum Theatre. Now celebrating its 10th year on the stage, the show has remained popular with theatregoers and it was time to find out why.

It took an hour to travel into London Victoria on the train and about another 20 minutes to reach Paddington underground station, where we had a few minutes' walk to the four-star London Paddington Shaftesbury Premier hotel.



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Our pre-theatre meal was at Sticky Fingers, an American-style diner in Philimore Gardens, Kensington, owned by Rolling Stone Bill Wyman. Funky, bright and welcoming, it was a pleasant place to eat and refreshingly priced for a celebrity haunt. The excellent food presented

true value for money – having ordered the ribs for £14.45, we were presented with a massive rack that made a proper meal, while the smoked chicken cobb salad at £12.95 was equally substantial.

The Lyceum Theatre is a short walk from Temple or Covent Garden tube stations and we were glad we had booked, as there were long queues outside the box office.

Anticipation was palpable in the theatre as the curtain went up, with many audience members already discussing plot and characters with fond familiarity. Recreating the much-loved figures from the mega-hit animated movie would have been enough of a challenge, without the sprawling setting of the African plains to contend with as well. But any fan of the original would not have been disappointed with this respectful, creative and colourful production.

The breath-taking opening scene features possibly the film's best-known song, the anthemic Circle of Life, accompanied by a truly remarkable collection of creatures. Displaying awesome ingenuity with set and costume design, the award-winning production conjures up giraffes, rhinos and even a small elephant.

Wisely perhaps, the costume designers have gone for rather abstract approximations of animals for the main characters, though some actors are more encumbered than others. The young Simba, our tale's fledgling hero, wears little more than a tail to depict his lion identity in the first half.

Imaginative, thrilling and unexpectedly moving in places, the show was hugely entertaining. It never scrimped on the visual effects to convey The Lion King's exotic setting and more dramatic episodes, while one enormously atmospheric scene – in which the adult Simba converses with his late father – drew audible gasps from the audience.

The film's memorable score has been expanded so the show now boasts 15 songs. Superb live music and singing perfectly evoked the African location and it was pleasing to hear lyrics that were not always sung in English.

Judging by the standing ovation from a packed house at the end of the show, The Lion King will continue to reign over Theatreland for a long time to come.

Travel details

- Superbreak offers weekend theatre packages starting from £69. To find out more visit www.superbreak.com or call 0871 221 3344.
- To book a meal at Sticky Fingers call 020 7938 5338 or email bookings@stickyfingers.co.uk. More information and menus can be found on the website at www.stickyfingers.co.uk.
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PROPERTY NEWS

Student digs 'good bet during credit crunch'

RESEARCH has found that student accommodation is still attracting investors.

Estate agents Savills discovered rental growth and high occupancy rates continued to attract investors into the digs sector, though the 'limited availability of appropriate investment vehicles risks frustrating attempts by individual investors to benefit from the sector'.

The average rents for purpose-built student housing (PBSH) grew by five per cent between 2007/2008 and 2008/2009, with 7 per cent seen in the capital.

Demand for PBSH continued, despite the economic downturn, with undergraduate applications up by 9 per cent for 2008/2009.

Savills also found that the number of new students was outpacing the new supply of accommodation by a factor of ten nationally.

Jacqui Daly, director of Savills research, said: 'High demand, low supply growth, rising rents and high occupancy rates make student accommodation an investment vehicle of choice during uncertain economic times.'

'An underlying supply/demand imbalance points to a robust outlook for the sector, while the strengths of the business model mean that capital values have not fallen to the same degree as other commercial or residential real estate.'

Rental levels may have hit bottom, say experts

ACCORDING to the FindaProperty Rental Index, May saw property rental prices remain steady, leading to cautious optimism that rental prices may have reached the bottom.

For the first time since August 2009, property rental prices did not show a month-on-month drop.

The average monthly rent remained at £819, although this is 5.5 per cent lower than the same time last year.

Houses and flats continue to react differently to the rental market conditions.

There has been a fall in the supply of rental houses which is leading to a modest increase in rents being demanded, say analysts.

They add that there is a rising number of flats available, leading to a fall in rents.

A rental property is now on the market for 65 days, up 16 days on this time last year.



GREEN SHOOTS: The second month-on-month rise in house prices, increased buyer activity and a hike in average asking prices could all be seen as reasons for optimism

Increase in house prices gets cautious welcome

THE property market has been boosted by news that house prices have risen for the second time in three months.

Nationwide's monthly figures for May showed that house prices rose by 1.2 per cent, taking the annual decline to 11.3 per cent – a sharp improvement from 15 per cent.

The findings are the latest in a market which has become more optimistic in recent weeks, following an unprecedented gloomy start to the year.

But Nationwide warned that what it called a 'spring bounce' in prices does not necessarily signal the last of the house price falls.

Martin Gehbauer, Nationwide's chief economist, said: 'Although the short-term trend in house prices has clearly improved from where it was at the beginning of the year, it is still too early to say that the market is turning definitively.'

'During the downturn of the early 1990s, there were many months during which prices rose, only to fall back down again in subsequent periods.'

'Nonetheless, the improvement in house price trends is consistent with signs of stabilisation in several other economic indicators and suggests that any further price declines may occur at a less rapid pace than in 2008.'

Other evidence of an upturn in the market

■ BY NICK AMES

has been spotted by market analysts in recent days. Michael White, chief executive of online mortgage adviser Email Mortgages.com, added: 'Those looking for further evidence of green shoots will point to increased first-time buyer activity in the market, positive noises from estate agents and the recent Rightmove average asking-price figures, which also showed an increase.'

'However, the fact remains that it is very early days to be suggesting a full-blown recovery in the UK housing market.'

The upward movement of house prices could

be explained by a recent stabilisation of the ratio of sales to unsold stock, as published by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, Nationwide said.

But with unemployment still rising and credit conditions remaining tight, experts say demand is likely to remain low for some time, while supply will be constricted as sellers are reluctant to put their home on the market when prices are depressed.

If demand starts to rise while supply levels stay low, prices could begin to rise again.

'For the moment, however, it is unclear how the balance between supply and demand will ultimately work through in the coming months,' Mr Gehbauer said.

Over-estimating property value could be expensive

HOMEOWNERS overestimate the value of their homes by more than £35,000, according to research by Abbey Mortgages.

It discovered that the average homeowner estimates their home to be worth £190,175 – an overestimation of £37,280 compared with the Land Registry house price figures, which put today's average house price at £152,895.

Despite falling house prices, homeowners across all regions overvalued their homes.

Those living in the East and South East were the most optimistic, estimating their

homes to be worth £53,422 above Land Registry estimates.

Nici Audham-Gardiner, Abbey director of mortgages, said: 'Homeowners looking to remortgage or sell need to make sure that the value of their home is accurate and has been valued by professionals to avoid problems or disappointment further down the line.'

'As house prices continue to fall, the longer a customer delays, the more they risk losing out on the good rates, due to fall in value of their home and the increase in their loan-to-value.'

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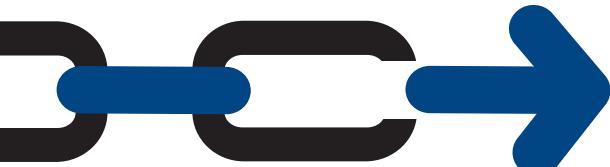


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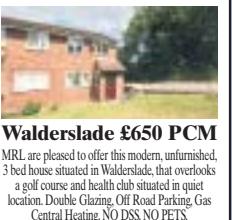
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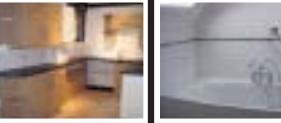


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WISHLY YOURS

Loving female, 37, 5ft2, brown hair, slim build, looking for honest, caring mate with GSOH, for friendship, leading to more. Ashford. Box 449915

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Sociable petite girl with great SOH, 40, blonde, sociable, love football! Looking for fun guy with great SOH for inseparable partnership. Box 880434

FOR A RELATIONSHIP?

Shy but confident-misce-named female, 40, likes socialising, tennis, walks, swimming; seeks gent with similar interests to find hopefully love with. Box 452106

HISTORIC MEETING?

Mum of three, 36, long lousy hair, blue eyes, interested in historical places, music, eating out, seeks kind, caring, genuine male 36-49, non-smoker, for LTR. Box 446993

SEIZE THE DAY

Loving female, 36, 5ft4, brown hair, blue eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 428666

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Single mum, 37, fun-loving, been hurt in past, looking for nice, genuine guy for hopeful happiness - no time wasters! Box 908053

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FANCY A DRINK?

I'm Judith, 30, small, blonde hair, blue eyes, love the sea and watersports, cinema, animals; WLTN a fun-loving guy for friendship and see what happens. Box 448107

LOVING IT LARGE

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I'm 44, slim, 5ft8, a redhead, love nights out, socialising, looking for friendship initially and hopefully more later on. Box 889800

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Smart petite lady, 56, 5ft4, tall, blonde hair, green eyes, 46, looking for my Mr Right, to have fun with and enjoy lasting relationship. Box 447795

PISCES OR CAPRICORN?

Starstruck lady, 59, 5ft6, medium build, blonde/blue, likes swimming, holidays, the sea, WLTN tall man with good heart for love. Box 448240

MADE MARIAN!

I'm Marian, petite, blonde, green eyes, 46, looking for my Mr Right, to have fun with and enjoy lasting relationship. Box 447966

A FAIRY TALE ENDING

Easy-going blonde animal lover, 41, easy-going and tactile, enjoys eating out, cinema and pubs, looking for a loyal, caring and funny man, 35-45. Box 451079

HAPPY TIMES

Lively, energetic and fun loving mum, 42, I'm 5ft3, petite, pretty,

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ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE

Hello, I'm Nikki, 41 yr young, 5ft1, enjoys dining out, cinema and dancing, seeking a male for friendship, possible romance and fun times. Box 447966

BE MY GUY

Hello, I'm Karen, 42, dark hair, medium build, GSOH, looking for a man with no issues and GSOH who can enjoy life with me. Box 452204

COSY TIMES TOGETHER

Friendly, outgoing female, 42, looking for someone who can make me laugh and enjoys country walks, films, travelling and a nice evening cuddled up. Box 881545

A WARM HEART AND GSOH

Lovely bubbly mum, 43, 5ft6, green eyes, dark hair, medium build, loves salsa dancing, new things, bowling, quiet nights in...looking for companion and more. Box 880900

PROFESSIONAL

Funny bubbly black female, 42, outgoing, positive, fun-loving, seeks charming male to have fun and enjoy life with. Box 451744

HERE AND NOW

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JUST IMAGINE

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CARING & PROFESSIONAL

Female 49, 5ft4, long hair, slim build, likes eating out, the beach, travel, seeks a friendly chap, 48-55. Hastings Box 446382

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MOTORS NEWS



Roaring Jaguar rattles rivals with added value

AFTER years of hanging on by its claws, Jaguar has roared back with demand for the latest XF model leading to best in class second-hand values.

Industry valuation bible Glass's Guide reckons the mid-range Jag model will be worth 18 per cent more than an equivalent Audi in 12 months' time and nine per cent more in three years' time.

Glass's spokesman Jason King said: "The XF has made a very impressive entry into the segment and has shaken up the established German players."



Espace celebrating 25 years of MPV success

RENAULT sparked the people carrier or MPV revolution 25 years ago with the original Espace.

It was a marriage of plans by Renault for a grand touring saloon with a flexible seating layout and French aerospace firm Matra's proposals for an American style 'minivan' with bench seats.

Their effort spawned many MPV imitators and changed the face of the motor market. The Espace itself has evolved through four generations and celebrates 25 years this summer.



Nissan is cashing in on Qashqai functionality

NISSAN'S wisdom in opting out of the mainstream hatchback market and banking on the multi-functional Qashqai was proved last month.

The British-built crossover entered the UK new car top 10 for the first time (see below) moving 73 per cent more units than in May, 2008, and claiming more than six per cent of the market.

1) Ford Fiesta; 2) Ford Focus; 3) Vauxhall Corsa; 4) VW Golf; 5) Vauxhall Astra; 6) Peugeot 207; 7) Mini; 8) Ford Mondeo; 9) Nissan Qashqai; 10) Vauxhall Insignia.



DRIVING SALES: Toyota's new-look Avensis comes in saloon or Tourer (estate) versions with the Japanese giant's economical 'Optimal Drive' technology fitted as standard

Optimal Avensis' rakish style shows classy touch

THERE'S no hiding place in the family car sector today.

Mondeo Class' contenders must battle on image and style as well as value, having seen a once huge market share hunted down by 4x4s, MPVs and executive class rivals.

So Toyota's latest Avensis gained a big hike in style and quality to add to past attributes – reliability, value and practicality. Sharp, aggressive new lines show how dated the previous car had become, while the hatchback option has been dropped to leave a straight choice between classy saloon and Tourer (estate) – Toyota reckons the latter will now take half of sales.

I can't argue with that after a week with a high-spec 2.0-litre T4 (£20,410 – Tourer prices from £15,760); the car is sharp-suited yet loses little in practicality and drives better than before, helped by an extended wheelbase and track within similar overall dimensions.

It is also economical thanks to the Japanese motor giant's 'Optimal Drive' engine technology, crucial to designing the brand's tiny IQ city car, but now filtering through to larger models through low friction components, lighter and more compact design elements and enhanced

ROAD TEST TOYOTA AVENSIS

■ BY STEVE LOADER

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal



Image



Space



Value



Running costs



Reliability



Green rating



combustion, bringing better emissions and economy yet delivering more power and driving enjoyment.

With tougher times here, this mix of style and money-saving technology should help keep the Avensis high in customer satisfaction surveys, though not yet threaten German executive rivals. Nevertheless, the Toyota looks and feels upmarket with the Tourer highlighting the current trend for divergence between the roof line and rearmost window frames to deliver a racy rear end with excellent headroom. The cabin is gimmick free and passes the touch test for quality, but can seem character-less – the £600 optional panoramic roof fitted to our car is a cure.

The 150bhp 2.0-litre petrol fitted is responsive and refined and a slick six-speed manual shift allows an average of around 40mpg – unheard of at this capacity only a few years ago – but a new highly-rated 145bhp 1.8-litre sister is likely to be the preferred option for this fuel and the 2.0 and 2.2-litre diesels will surely dominate sales.

The Avensis chassis is set up more for ride comfort than tight handling, but can still be caught out by poorer surfaces.



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USED CAR ROUND-UP:

OUR PICK FROM A KEY SECTOR

TOP SELLING FAMILY HATCHBACKS

LOOKING for a car that does it all? Start shopping for a family hatchback; it seats five, can be crammed like a small van by balancing space, flexibility and economy... providing you don't go for a 'hot hatch' version. Family hatches still dominate the UK top 10 – all three of our recommendations are regulars – and the end product needs to be good to compete at all against talented opposition. Market clout helps, of course, but this trio deserves to be there on merit too – check out the profiles below.

FORD FOCUS



BRITAIN'S favourite car. Or is it? Some say it's number one through Ford's formidable market share. Maybe, but the Focus is great to drive, practical, well-made and blessed with good engines. For second-hand buyers there is a fantastic choice of power – including the rapid ST (pictured) – trim levels and body styles: a smart saloon and estate plus a coupé convertible. The Mark II's popularity and ordinary looks are a weakness though – enough for some buyers to look elsewhere.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

VW GOLF



IT costs extra for a Golf, signalling the power of a more premium badge. Good diesels also keep used prices up, while the GTI hot hatch adds glamour across the range. Interior quality and ambience is top-notch too and the newly replaced Mark V was possibly the best drive in class. That said, the Golf suffers from fairly dull styling and buyers might be tempted by sexier and cheaper French rivals such as the Citroën C4 or Renault Megané.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
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VAUXHALL ASTRA

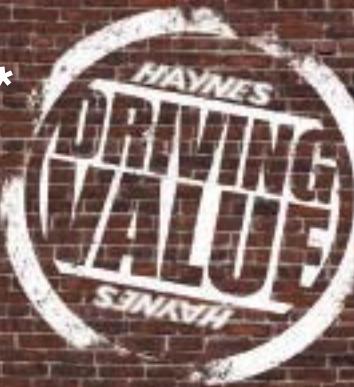


SUFFERS like the Focus from being a common sight, thanks to its lofty new top 10 sales position. But nobody could accuse the Astra of being dreary looking; Renault Megané aside, it is still the most sharply styled family hatchback on sale. Vauxhall has also differentiated between the rakish three-door model, dubbed the Sport Hatch, and the five-door workhorse. There is a longer wheelbase estate too. Engine options, including impressive Fiat-derived diesels, are among the sector's best.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
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MidKent College

MidKent College based in the Medway Towns and Maidstone is seeking to appoint outstanding individuals in the following areas:

Programme Area Leader in Beauty Ref: PAL01

Salary: £30,204- £33,935 per annum

We are looking to recruit an exceptional candidate to provide support to the Head of School on all Staffing, Student, Curriculum and Quality issues. The successful candidate will be able to demonstrate a significant level of competence in Teaching and Learning, have experience of action planning and have good negotiating/communication skills. The post holder will hold or be willing to work towards a recognised teaching qualification.

Lecturer in Foundation Programmes Ref: P0567

Salary: £25,895- £29,622 per annum

We are looking to recruit an outstanding individual to teach and participate in the development of the Life and Work Skills for learners with learning difficulties and/or disabilities. The successful candidate will have good communication skills, a patient and mature attitude and hold or be willing to work towards a recognised teaching qualification.

Lecturer in Health and Social Care Ref: P0063

Salary: £25,895- £29,622 per annum

We are looking for a passionate candidate to be involved in the delivery of edexcel Healthcare programmes. The successful candidate will have proven knowledge and experience within Healthcare environments and hold or be willing to work towards a recognised teaching qualification.

Lecturer in Media Ref: P0354

Salary: £25,895- £29,622 per annum

The successful candidate will teach on Media programmes, providing programme management and curriculum tutorial support as required. A Degree or HND in a Media Discipline and a creative attitude coupled with excellent communication skills is essential. The post holder will hold or be willing to work towards a recognised teaching qualification.

Lecturer in Animal Care Ref: P0355

Salary: £20,700- £25,309 per annum

The primary role of the post holder will be to teach on and participate in the development of a range and levels of Animal Care courses. Courses are offered from Entry Level to Level Three. The Higher Diploma Environment and Land Based will start in September. A relevant qualification in Animal Care and previous experience is essential and the successful candidate will hold or be willing to work towards a recognised teaching qualification. Equine experience would be welcomed, though not essential. Animal care is a vibrant department and all courses are popular and oversubscribed.

Lecturer in IT – Level 1 Ref: P0395

Salary: £25,895- £29,622 per annum

We wish to appoint a lecturer in Information Technology to teach across a range of BTEC and Diploma programmes to post 16 students at our Medway, Gillingham campus, especially at level 1 and including Functional Skills. They must either have or be prepared to undergo training for a teaching qualification and be able to manage and coordinate a team to provide and develop a coherent programme of study suitable for these levels of student.

Lecturer in IT – Level 2 and 3 Ref: P0366

Salary: £25,895- £29,622 per annum

We wish to appoint a lecturer in Information Technology to teach across a range of BTEC and Diploma programmes to post 16 students at our Medway, Gillingham campus at level 2 and level 3. They must either have or be prepared to undergo training for a teaching qualification and be able to manage and coordinate a team to provide and develop a coherent programme of study suitable for these levels of student. They must also be prepared to teach Functional Skills at level 2.

Technician in Hair Ref: P0296

Salary: £13,544 - £16,392 per annum

The ideal candidate will be able to provide technical support to staff and students and will be responsible for setting-up and providing classroom support. Experience in the industry would be advantageous.

Technician in Building and Civil Engineering Ref: P0149

Salary: £15,607 - £19,127 per annum

The primary role of the post holder will be to carry out technician duties, assist tutors and learners in all practical aspects of construction and perform other technician work across the school.

Closing date – Wednesday 17 June

The College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people and vulnerable adults and anyone applying for work with the College is expected to share this commitment. Any offer of employment is subject to an Enhanced Criminal Records Bureau Disclosure.

Application forms and further details are available from www.midkent.ac.uk. Alternatively, please e-mail job.applications@midkent.ac.uk. For individuals without access to e-mail or the internet please call the Personnel department on 01634 884402 (24 hour answer machine). In all communication with the College please quote the appropriate job title and reference number.

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Able to coordinate and manage site installation activities including sub-contractors

Experience of networked BMS systems

Ability to manage all aspects of a project including budget and cost control reporting to Director level

Both roles require travel throughout the South East, a good grounding in electronics and/or electrical installation with working knowledge of wiring regulations and health & safety.

You will be highly motivated and flexible with a positive attitude and the ability to work on own initiative, a clean driving license and CSCS card.

CV's can be emailed to recruitment@safandsoundcontrols.com or posted to Unit 22 Chislet Close, Lakesview International Business Park, Canterbury, Kent CT3 4LB

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Required for September 2009

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To thrive in this role you will need exceptional written and verbal communication skills and the ability to use Microsoft Word and PowerPoint to create well set-out and engaging documents and presentations. Attention to detail, excellent proof-reading ability and good time and deadline management are essential. You will possess strong interpersonal and influencing skills, be flexible, proactive and forward-thinking, creative about gaining information, professional and remain calm under pressure. Ref: 522.

Should you wish to discuss the role informally, please call Karen Tyrell, Assistant Director of Development on 01795 590635 on Mon/Tue/Wed during weeks commencing 1 and 8 June.

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In addition to the input of data, you will regularly generate reports and audit the system for accuracy. You will also provide administrative services to the HR team (e.g. filing, typing and photocopying) particularly during peak recruitment periods.

You will need to be a perfectionist by nature in order to ensure data accuracy and have a positive solution focused outlook to work. In addition to excellent general IT skills, you will need to have substantial experience in at least one database application, preferably with a qualification related to database work. Formal training on our database will be provided as part of your induction. Ref: 575.

Should you wish to discuss the role informally, please call Peter Gallagher, Director of Human Resources & Estates on 01795 590635 between 9.00am and 12.00pm on 2, 5 or 8 June.

Application forms and job descriptions can be downloaded from http://www.kca.org.uk/pages/vacancies.html or email recruitment@kca.org.uk. Alternatively, write to KCA (UK), Dan House, 44 East Street, Faversham, Kent ME13 8AT or call 01795 590635. Please quote the appropriate reference number.

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This role has a dual function which at other times during the year will require the post-holder to provide support for general admin as necessary.

Please send your letter of application & CV, together with Application Form (available on the school website) to: Mr S Rayner, Finance and Business Manager, to the above address.

Closing date: Friday 19th June 2009

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Lecturer in Motor Vehicle

Ref: P0649

Salary: £25,895 - £29,622 per annum

We are looking to recruit an enthusiastic and dynamic individual to teach on a range of Motor Vehicle courses. The successful candidate will have proven knowledge and experience within the Motor Vehicle Engineering Industry. MidKent College's highly successful Motor Vehicle department is looking for an interactive team member. The ideal candidate will hold a HNC in a related field and either possess or be willing to work towards a recognised teaching qualification. We are particularly interested in an individual that has the passion to motivate our learners within their chosen subject.

For an informal discussion about this role please call Simon Foot, Head of School on 01622 625864.

Closing date: Friday 26 June

Mid-Kent College is working in partnership with RBLI Employment Solutions to support individuals who have a disability or health condition in the application, interview and employment with the college. If you would like any further information regarding RBLI, or require assistance with your application process then please contact RBLI on 0800 783 1144 or visit their website www.rbli.co.uk for information, advice and guidance.

The College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Any offer of employment is subject to a Criminal Records Bureau check in accordance with the College procedure.

Application forms and further details are available from www.midkent.ac.uk. Alternatively, please e-mail job.applications@midkent.ac.uk. For individuals without access to e-mail or the internet please call the Personnel department on 01634 884402 (24 hour answer machine). In all communication with the College please quote the appropriate job title and reference number.

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KSS Band 12 (£41,112-£48,152)

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To request an application pack please contact Mrs Maureen Tong-Ralphs, PA to the Headteacher. Completed forms should be returned by **Monday 22nd June 2009** to Mrs Wilson, Headteacher.

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09/18

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Coordinator Music and Music Technology Level 3

CO22

37 hours per week, salary starting at £27,209 per annum

Lecturer Health & Social Care

L90

18.5 hours per week salary range £18,387 – £26,363 pro rata per annum

Lecturer Science

09/15

37 or 2 x 18.5 hours per week, salary range £18,387 – £26,363 per annum (pro rata for part time posts)

Lecturer Graphic Design

09/21

37 hours per week, salary range £18,387 – £26,363 per annum

Work Experience Placement Officer

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37 hours per week, 38 weeks per year term time, salary starting at £16,914 pro rata per annum. One year fixed term post

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09/12

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09/19

Full time Apprenticeship, salary £95 per week.

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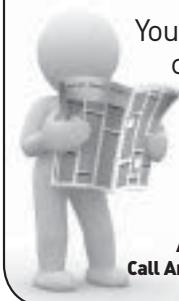
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CRICKET

■ BY TOM HOWARD

Kent League Division One

The Mote 1st XI v Sandwich 1st XI

A SOLID all-round batting performance gave Sandwich Town a narrow two-wicket victory on the penultimate ball against The Mote on Saturday.

Both sides gave their all in the match, which included a stunning knock from The Mote's James Hodgson, who hit an unbeaten 147 with the bat. Sandwich elected to field after winning the toss, but were soon regretting their decision despite claiming the two early wickets of Umesh Valjee and Tom Harvey with just 29 runs on the board.

Hodgson proved to be the thorn in Sandwich's side as he hit a relentless 147, scoring the majority of The Motes' runs, as they went on to score 261 from their allotted 50 overs. Daniel Thirkell's knock of 57 towards the end of the innings, helped The Mote set a large total for Sandwich to chase.

Sandwich's reply was steady with Craig Snell (52), David Scoggins (71) and Vishal Singh (78) all notching up half-centuries.

The Motes' bowlers did a better job than their Sandwich counterparts but it was not enough to prevent a defeat. Sandwich slowly crept up on The Mote's target and surpassed it with just one ball of the game remaining.

Mote captain Glen Aukett was the pick of the bowlers, finishing with figures of 3 for 84.

The Mote lose a thriller on penultimate ball



ON STRIKE: The Mote (batting) set an impressive total but were unable to bowl Sandwich out as they lost the game in the final over

Picture: GOR KUPOO

LOCAL CRICKET ROUND-UP

KENT LEAGUE DIVISION FIVE

Offham 1st XI v Macknade 1st XI

OFFHAM held on to secure a losing draw in a high scoring encounter in Division Five on Saturday.

Macknade showed their class with the bat as they notched up 256 from their 50 overs, with Kaylem Short top scoring with 79.

Offham needed a fast start if they wanted to clinch victory, but the home side could only muster 50 from their first three batsmen.

Offham kept fighting, but victory soon slipped through their hands. However, Macknade were unable to take the final three wickets leaving Offham with a losing draw.

Macknade

	Runs
Phil Rowcroft	b Watt
Kaylem Short	ct Gittings b Razey
Lee Rigden	ct Waitt b Razey
Scott Davenport	ct Bell b Hallbrook
Danny Haxton	b Brooker
Andrew Machin	ct Waitt b Watt
Steve Taylor	ct Waitt b Watt
Vince Taylor	ct Hallbrook
James Jarrett	ct Waitt b Watt
Jamie Rigden	not out
Darryl Cook	not out
Extras	(4b 1lb 1w)
Total	256 (9 wickets, 50 overs)

Offham

	Runs
Graham Razey	b Jarrett
Tom Gittings	ct Machin b Jarrett
Nathan Faulkes	b Rigden
Ben Gittings	ct Cook b Rigden
Leonard Watt	st Taylor b Cook
Jason Watt	ct Cook b Rigden
Lawrence Bell	not out
Daniel Blakeburn	lbw b Short
Mervyn Brooker	not out
Simon Hallbrook	did not bat
Michael Gittings	did not bat
Extras	(1lb 2w)
Total	188 (7 wickets, 50 overs)

KENT FEEDER LEAGUE EAST 1A

Wye 1st XI v Yalding 1st XI

YALDING'S impressive six-man bowling attack proved pivotal in a narrow 27-run victory at Wye.

The visitors' tail rescued a slow starting innings with the bat, as Anthony Sheppard (53) and Jumshad Haider (58) saw Yalding trounce to 205 for 8 after 46 overs.

Wye made a promising start as they attempted to chase down Yalding, but once the bowlers hit full flow, Wye hit trouble. Graham Makey and Andrew Robinson took seven wickets between them, as Wye were bowled out for just 178 with eight overs remaining.

Yalding

	Runs
Shumshair Haider	b Edlin
Tim Morgan	ct Eve b Hoyle
Graham Hutchins	ct Brooke b Hoyle
Keith Secrett	st Eve b Edlin
Alistair Ratcliff	b Edlin
James Fenn	ct Eve b Wise
Anthony Shepherd	ct Dodd b Brooke
Jumshad Haider	ct Dodd b Brooke
Lee Frimston	not out
Andrew Robinson	not out
Graham Makey	did not bat
Extras	(8b 6lb 13w)
Total	205 (8 wickets, 46 overs)

Bowlers

	0	M	R	W
Edward Hoyle	12	2	39	2
Wayne Edlin	12	4	38	3
Keith Secrett	6	1	31	0
Stuart Wise	6	0	37	1
Matt Barlow	2	0	17	0
Raj Mahadevaiah	3	0	17	0
Nick Brooke	5	1	12	2

Wye

	Runs
David Parry	ct Dugmore b Makey
Nick Brooke	ct Walker b Robinson
Ciles Starley	ct Dugmore b Makey
Raj Mahadevaiah	lbw b Dugmore
Stuart Wise	b Robinson
Nick Eve	ct Walker b Dugmore
Adam Dodd	lbw b Makey
Wayne Edlin	ct Ratcliff b Robinson
Edward Hoyle	b Robinson
Matt Barlow	ct Walker b Haider
Keith Secrett	not out
Extras	(10b 8lb 7w 3nb)
Total	178 (all out, 38.3 overs)

Bowlers

	0	M	R	W
Kaylem Short	13	2	38	1
James Jarrett	15	2	56	2
Jamie Rigden	12	1	42	3
Darryl Cook	7	1	22	1
Phil Rowcroft	3	0	29	0
James Dugmore	4	0	23	2

KENT FEEDER LEAGUE WEST 1B

Leybourne 1st XI v Lamorbe Park 1st XI

MATTHEW Simmons top scored for Leybourne as they chased down Lamorbe Park's total to win by three wickets at the weekend.

With 196 to chase down, Leybourne knew their batsmen had to produce their best to stand any chance of victory. Simmons answered the call and hit a solid 68, before falling to the impressive James Barge.

Despite Barge claiming six wickets, Ashley Ulph and Tom Smith steered Leybourne to victory.

Lamorbe Park

	Runs
Praveen Chinthala	b Webb
Tim Morgan	c & b Webb
Nick Hardaker	b Rose
Tipp Ali	lbw b Bray
Lloyd Barnett	ct Webb b Bray
Hasan Ahmed	ct Webb b Rose
Joginder Singh	not out
James Barge	ct Smith b Rose
Robert Allen	ct Davies b Rose
Rob Murray	b Bray
Bakhish Bhatta	not out
Extras	(15b 7lb 7w)
Total	29 (9 wickets, 46 overs)

Bowlers

	0	M	R	W
Matthew Webb	12	3	41	1
Richard Webb	12	1	56	1
Tom Bray	9	3	39	3
Alex Rose	12	2	37	4
David Lock	1	0	1	0

Leybourne

	Runs
Matthew Simmons	ct & b Barge
David Lock	ct Morgan b Barge
Ashley Ulph	ct Morgan b Bhatta
Tom Smith	b Barge
Gary Martin	b Barge
Bruce Candy	b Barge
Matthew Webb	not out
Darren Davies	b Barge
Alex Rose	not out
Tom Bray	did not bat
Richard Webb	did not bat
Extras	(18b 4lb 7w 3nb)
Total	32 (7 wickets, 28.5 overs)

Bowlers

	0	M	R	W
Rob Murray	5	0	55	0
James Barge	10	2	35	6
Praveen Chinthala	6.5	0	39	0
Bakhish Bhatta	4	0	24	1
Joginder Singh	3	0	24	0

KENT LEAGUE DIVISION FOUR

Walmer 1st XI v Addington Village 1st XI

A CENTURY from Addington's James Tooze put the home side in the driving seat as they went on to beat Walmer by 164 runs.

Tooze's 104 helped Addington towards 248 from their 50 overs, leaving Walmer with a mountain to climb in order to save the game.

Only Andy Birkett offered a reply to Addington's score with a knock of 33, as the home side's bowlers ran riot. Walmer were eventually bowled out for just 84 after 30 overs. Dan Walton was the pick of the bowlers for Addington with figures of 4 for 19.

Addington Village

	Runs
Mark Rimmer	ct Birkett b Cotton
James Tooze	st Butler b Huntley
Jon Pigott	lbw b Cowlishaw
Neil Scott	ct Wilcox b Huntley
Duncan Brown	ct Pearce b Cowlishaw
Mat Bruton	b Huntley
Ben Buet	ct Cotton b Cowlishaw
James Fullagar	not out
Steve Merralls	did not bat
Ross McDermott	not out
Dan Walton	did not bat
Extras	(2b 7lb 7w 3nb)
Total	248 (7 wickets, 50 overs)

Bowlers

	0	M	R	W
Barry Green	8	0	24	0
Andrew Cotton	11	1	33	1
Paul Butler	3	0	23	0
Peter Huntley	14	0	88	3
Edwin Cowlishaw	14	0	70	3

Walmer

	Runs
Joe Wilcox	b Bruton
Red Cotton	b Walton
Stuart Butler	b Walton
Andy Birkett	b McDermott
Peter Morris	b Walton
Martin Pearce	c & b Walton
Andrew Cotton	lbw b Brown
Edwin Cowlishaw	b McDermott
Paul Butler	b Brown
Barry Green	b Brown
Peter Huntley	not out
Extras	(4b 3lb 6w)
Total	13 (all out, 30 overs)

Bowlers

	0	M	R	W
Mat Bruton	10	1	31	1
Dan Walton	13	3	19	4
Ross McDermott	5	0	22	2
Duncan Brown	2	0	5	3

Club let down by poor showing on field

Picture: ADY KERRY



MIXED RESULTS: Medway & Maidstone men will have to work on their field events at the next British Athletic League meeting

MEDWAY & Maidstone had a weekend of mixed results in the opening round of the British Athletics League (BAL) at Abingdon on Sunday.

The men's squad, who compete in division three of the BAL, went into the season opener full of confidence and ready to take on the other seven teams in the division.

Despite a number of stand-out performances, Medway & Maidstone could only finish sixth out of the eight teams.

Crawley won the event with a combined team total of 308 points compared to Medway & Maidstone's 253.

The majority of the squad's points came from stunning performances in the 400m and the triple jump.

Luke Smallwood and Will Oyowe

ATHLETICS

won the two 400m races. Oyowe set the fastest time in the competition by completing the distance in 48.79 seconds, a full second faster than the rest of the field.

Darren Marsh and Dujon Brown shone in the two triple jump events as they blitzed the competition to win.

However, a lack of top performances in the other field events ultimately cost them a higher overall team finish.

Medway & Maidstone will be back in BAL action on July 4 for the second meeting at Bournemouth.

Stones keen to profit from Smalling's debut

FOOTBALL

■ BY TOM HOWARD

MAIDSTONE United are due to hold talks with Premier League side Fulham following former defender Chris Smalling's first-team debut last month.

The former Stones defender, who joined the Premier League club on a three-year deal last summer, made his debut for the Cottagers against Everton on the final day of last season.

The 19-year-old joined Roy Hodgson's side without a fee on a 'gentleman's agreement', which stated that on his first-team debut, Maidstone would receive a settlement.

Bowden-Brown told Yourmaidstone: "We have not heard anything yet. We did the deal with Les Reed, the youth coach, at the time and he is no longer at the club. However, a possible youth partnership was mentioned and we are going to follow that up in the next two weeks."

The Stones have confirmed they will be playing their football at Ashford Town's Homelands Stadium after agreeing a three-year groundshare deal.

Stones chairman Bowden-Brown was

delighted to end the uncertainty surrounding the club's future and believes the deal will be beneficial.

He said: "I am relieved we have got something sorted. With the first-class facilities at the stadium and the possibility to loan out executive boxes, it should help out both us and Ashford."

A possible shuttle bus scheme to transport Stones fans to the Homelands is being considered.

Elsewhere at the club, striker Lloyd Blackman has turned down a new contract offer, according to joint-manager Lloyd Hume.

Blackman scored 11 goals for the Stones last season, as they finished 15th in the Ryman Premier League.

Hume admitted the contract offer given to Blackman was low due to a budget reduction for next season.

He said: "Lloyd is a great player and we would have loved to keep him, but we only have limited funds available to us. We offered him a new deal, but we were unable to meet Lloyd's requirements."

With forwards Meshach Nugent and James Pinnock agreeing new deals, Hume believes he will need one more striker to complete his strike-force for next season.

He added: "We will probably have to take a gamble on a striker, who has proved himself in the lower leagues."



RISING STAR: Former defender Chris Smalling (pictured) playing for Maidstone United before his move to Premier League side Fulham last summer

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READY TO GO Tim Reeves is eager to chase down TT glory in the Isle of Man today

Can Reeves cut it on Isle of Man TT return?

TIM Reeves will go in search of Isle of Man TT glory as he prepares for the final race on the notorious 37.7-mile road course today (Wednesday).

The Tenterden-born rider has had a mixed practice week ahead of the TT opening race.

A number of mechanical problems halted Reeves' progress in the early practice session, which limited the three-time sidecar world champion to a handful of laps.

Reeves and passenger Patrick Farrance were forced to repair their bike with lawnmower parts bought from a Honda lawnmower dealer on the island.

After recording the fourth fastest time during a practice session last Wednesday, Reeves knows he has the pace to eclipse last year's third place finish.

He said: "We're feeling good so, hopefully, that's the end of the problems and we can get some good laps in during the remaining sessions so we're 100 per cent ready."

Reeves and Farrance were due to take part in their first race on Saturday, but wet weather saw all races on island abandoned.

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